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August 25, 2022 OKLAHOMA SECRETARY OF STATE

J. Kevin Stitt
Office of the Governor
State of Oklahoma

## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE ORDER 2022-21

I, J. Kevin Stitt, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, hereby direct the appropriate steps be taken to fly all American and Oklahoma flags on State property at half-staff from 8:00 a.m. on Friday, August 26, 2022, until sundown on Sunday, August 28, 2022, to honor Robert Blaine Swartz, whose inspirational life was cut short while fulfilling his duties as a Sergeant in the Oklahoma County Sheriff Department on August 22, 2022.

A veteran of the United States Army Reserves, Sgt. Swartz continued his life of public service by joining the Oklahoma County Sheriff's Office in December of 1997. During his 25-year tenure with the Sheriff's Department, Sgt. Swartz happily worked any position, department, or task to which he was assigned. Sadly, Sgt. Swartz leaves behind a loving family, including his son Austin, his wife, Kim, and two grandchildren, Raegan and Rowan. A celebration of Sgt Swartz's life is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on Friday, August 26, 2022, at Crossings Community Church in Oklahoma City. I encourage all Oklahomans to honor our fallen officers by celebrating their faithful service to the public. The state of Oklahoma recognizes not only our law enforcement officers but the families of those who continue to protect and serve our communities and the sacrifices they make daily.

This executive order shall be forwarded to the Division of Capital Assets Management, who shall cause the provisions of this order to be implemented by all appropriate agencies of state government.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on this 25<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2022.

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

J. KEVIN STITT

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